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McINTYRE, COLBY L.

Fort Fairfield, Maine, September 22, 1915-

Print Biography Of Colonel Hume

Beloved Maine Soldier's
Life Told by Colby
McIntyre

"The Old Man" of the 103rd, an ably written and attractively printed volume, has just come from the press.

It is a biography of the late Col. Frank M. Hume, the 103rd's commander. Not only is his life told in detail, but there is interwoven with it the story of a fighting regiment of which Maine has never ceased to be proud.

Colby L. McIntyre wrote with infinite care. He studied many letters, documents and records; and he had the assistance of Col. Hume's daughters, Mrs. Bernard F. McGary

and Mrs. Alan Clark. The result is a real human interest document—authoritative, yet filled with color and life.

As McIntyre says in his opening chapter: "It is a story that reads like the imaginings of a Hollywood scenario writer, yet it's all verifiable; it's a story that you might reasonably doubt, yet those who know will affirm."

It is felt to be peculiarly appropriate that the volume is issued on the eve of the assembling of the Department of Maine, American Legion, for its annual convention—held this year in Houlton. Copies will be available there.

I was born in Fort Fairfield, Maine, on September 22, 1915, and was adopted, when I was less than a year old, by the late Thomas A. and Effie M. McIntyre, of Houlton. Although my name was never changed legally from my true legal name, McManemon, I have always used the name McIntyre, except, of course, in signing legal papers, etc. I attended the public schools of Houlton, graduating from Houlton High School in 1932. In 1937 I married Gertrude Gregory of Westfield, Maine, and we have one child, Anne Denyce, born in April, 1938.

From: letter of Mr. McIntyre , August 21, 1940.

July 25, 1940

Mr. Colby McIntyre
Houlton
Maine

Dear Mr. McIntyre:

Your kind generosity delights us; and we are very pleased to have your biography of Colonel Hume to add to the Maine Author Collection. Certainly this book will appeal to a great many Maine readers, and you are to be congratulated upon making available this record of one of the most noted and colorful of Maine's sons.

At your convenience, would you be so kind as to supply us with biographical information? We enclose a return envelope.

Please accept our appreciative thanks for the exhibit copy of THE OLD MAN, and our best wishes for its public reception.

Very truly yours

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27 Franklin Street
Houlton, Maine
August 21, 1940

Maine State Library
Augusta, Maine

Attention: Mrs. Hilda McLeod Jacob

Gentlemen:

Please excuse my long delay in answering your very kind letter of July 25, requesting biographical information.

I was born in Fort Fairfield, Maine, on September 22, 1915, and was adopted, when I was less than a year old, by the late Thomas A. and Effie M. McIntyre, of Houlton. Although my name was never changed legally from my true legal name, McManemon, I have always used the name McIntyre, except, of course, in signing legal papers, etc.

I attended the public schools of Houlton, graduating from Houlton High School in 1932.

In 1937 I married Gertrude Gregory, of Westfield, Maine, and we have one child, Anne Denyce, born in April, 1938.

Beyond these facts, there is little that could be added for the purpose which you intended, but if I can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Very cordially yours,

Colby L. McIntyre
Colby L. McIntyre

July 19, 1940

Mr. Colby McIntyre
Houlton
Maine

Dear Mr. McIntyre:

Recently our attention was directed to your biography of Colonel Hume, and we were glad to learn that such an interesting and valuable book was available.

You will receive within a few days an official purchase order for two copies, which we intend to include, according to our policy of purchasing non-fiction written by Maine persons, in the State Library.

We write at present to suggest to you the possibility of presenting an inscribed copy to the maine Author Collection. As you may perhaps know, the State Library gathers all the literature by maine writers, and preserves it in an exhibit. We also accumulate biographical, critical and (whenever possible) photographic material about our authors. We do hope that you will want to add this book to the collection, and you are assured of our appreciation.

Please accept our sincere wishes for the success of the book.

Very truly yours

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SECRETARY

27 Franklin Street
Houlton, Maine
July 22, 1940

Maine State Library
Augusta, Maine

Gentlemen:

Enclosed under separate cover is a complimentary copy of "'The Old Man' of the 103rd", the biography of Colonel Frank M. Hume, for the Maine Author Collection, as per your request of July 19, 1940. Also included, is a criticism of the book, taken from the Bangor Daily News of Thursday, June 20, 1940. I understand that there was a criticism of the book in the Portland Press Herald of July 12 or 13. Thanking you for your letter, I remain

Respectfully,

Colby L. McIntyre
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